

Introducing the Hospitals We Serve

Queen Elizabeth Health Sciences Centre

- **The Halifax Infirmary** site has three intensive care units and eight floors of inpatients dealing with all forms of trauma and focusing on specialties such as cardiovascular, burn treatments, orthopedics, neurology, and plastic surgery. It provides specialist care to patients referred from all over Atlantic Canada.
- **The Victoria General** site is home to the Palliative Care floor and treats many cancer patients--both as inpatients and at outpatient clinics. A unit is also devoted to liver and kidney transplants. The patients in this hospital tend to be there longer and this provides an opportunity for deeper relationships to be formed.
- **The Nova Scotia Rehabilitation and Arthritis Centre** provides rehabilitation services for many folk who have experienced strokes, neurological disorders and amputations. The patients appreciate support during this time, especially if they are from out of town, as it can be a lonely time for them so encouragement and prayer are greatly appreciated.

The IWK Health Centre is a hospital for women and children. Often an intense and busy time for parents; knowing that there is a chaplain available can provide a support during a crisis or simply a friendly supportive presence during a time of upheaval and uncertainty.

Further Information

The Hospital Chaplaincy has a Webpage on the HRUBA Website. For additional information about this compassionate ministry or how to support it, including our recently established endowment fund, please go to [Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy \(hruba.ca\)](https://www.hruba.ca).

Financial Support

The Hospital Chaplaincy ministry is supported entirely by charitable donations. There is no support from government although office space for the chaplains is provided by the hospitals.

With accounting and payroll support provided free of charge by the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC), we are able to keep our overhead to only 2% of our budget, which means that 98% of all donations go directly towards the provision of chaplaincy ministry.

How You Can Help

Financial support for our budget comes from local churches, supplemented by the budget of the Halifax Region United Baptist Association, a grant from the Atlantic Baptist Foundation and donations from associations and foundations. We greatly appreciate your generous support. We also welcome donations from individuals and estates—perhaps as a memorial to someone who spent time in hospital.

Three Ways to Donate to the Hospital Chaplaincy Operating Budget

By cheque:*

Please make out your cheque to:
Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada
Mail it to:
PO Box 6003 Moncton, NB E1C 0V7

By electronic funds transfer to CBAC: *

Auto deposit is available by sending to:
Debbie Barriault, Finance Officer
debbie.barriault@baptist-atlantic.ca

On the CBAC Website: *

<https://baptist-atlantic.ca/> (click on GIVE)

*** Please note that your donation is for the Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy**

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<https://www.hruba.ca>



... I was sick and you visited me...
Matthew 25:36

**Contact Information for the Chaplains
is inside this brochure.**

Visiting Atlantic Baptists for Over 50 Years!

The Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy is a ministry of the Halifax Region United Baptist Association providing chaplaincy ministry at the four hospitals in peninsular Halifax.

People from all across Atlantic Canada face stress and crisis daily in Halifax hospitals. Many of them are far from home and removed from the spiritual resources of church and Pastor. Some have not been to church in years, or struggle with faith in God and their relationship with the church. Hospital Chaplains can provide a ministry outreach to them all.

Baptist Hospital Chaplains are there willing to listen, care, and love in Christ's name on behalf of the churches of the Halifax Region United Baptist Association and the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada.

One person said, *"Through you I have experienced loving presence in the middle of my suffering. I cannot thank you enough."*

Let Us Know When We Can Help

Please feel free to contact us in advance if you, or someone you know, will be staying in one of the Halifax hospitals. We would be pleased to visit and help in any way we can.

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Website
[Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy \(hruba.ca\)](http://Halifax Baptist Hospital Chaplaincy (hruba.ca)).

Introducing Our Hospital Chaplains



The Rev. Joseph Green (he/him) (B.A. Hons, M.A., M.Div.) is our full-time chaplain. In 2014, he was called to serve churches in the South Shore. While in pastoral ministry, Joe served the community as an RCMP Chaplain, Royal Canadian Legion Chaplain, and as a pastor to pastors in his role as CBAC Connector. Joe entered seminary with a call to Chaplaincy and did his internships at the Halifax Infirmary. He works primarily at the Halifax Infirmary and Victoria General sites.

Joe is married to Amber and they grew up and live in beautiful St. Margarets Bay. Their nieces, nephews, and godchildren keep them young at heart. They enjoy summers in NS at some of our beautiful beaches. He has served on various boards and is particularly sensitive in advocating for the health and wellness of our older generation.

A favorite scripture passage for Joe is the whole chapter of Colossians 3. In verse 17 the Apostle Paul states to do all things, in both word and deed, in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.



The Rev. Dr. Ida Armstrong-Whitehouse (B.A., M.Div., M.Th., D. Min.) is our part-time chaplain. In 2016, she retired after 40 years of pastoral ministry. Ida felt called to chaplaincy and is pleased to partner with Joe in this ministry. Ida spreads 12 hours per week of chaplaincy ministry between the Victoria General, Rehab and IWK hospitals.

Ida is married to husband, Gregg and they have two adult children and three grandchildren.

She has served on the HURBA Chaplaincy Committee (21 yr.) and is a voluntary RCMP Chaplain (25 yr.).

Having undergone thyroid and cancer surgeries, Ida believes *"her experiences have deepened her understanding of patients' anxieties re: hospital setting and treatment plans."*

A favorite scripture passage for Ida is Joshua 1:9, *"This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."*